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Capt. W. O. Reed.

Writes interesting letter from Mexico.

Headquarters U. S. Pacific Expedition, in the field, San Francisco, Mexico.

May 2, 1916. Dear Annie and Joe: Please change my address from Hastings Texas, to Headquarters Gen. Pershing via Columbus New Mexico.

Have been on personal staff of Gen. Pershing since just after our troops crossed border, have been of use in close touch with most all happenings of interest.

In the face of my handicaps disadvantages and hardships the American Soldier has continued to cover himself with honor and glory.

The cavalry marches made by Col. Bell, Major Tompkins, Major Howard and others will compare favorably with the most famous in all American history and go far towards establishing the fact that American Cavalry is the superior to any mounted troops in the world, the most polished and efficient.

The Mexican war is better mounted and better soldiers than our cavalry proved as untrue as it sounded. Our men and horses simply outdid them to death.

Worn out and abandoned Mexican cavalry horses led by the road from Boca Grande to San Guernsey, while our losses have been very light.

Our horses at the effect of hundreds of miles of forced marches, our men forage and often look for food without water, but they also showed the result of good care and attention given them by the thoroughly instructed and drilled officers and soldiers of our cavalry.

In many instances rations have been short and scarce for not only our men, but from them you never hear a murmur of complaint. Men of the 10th Cavalry (colored) have sold right along with the white comrades of the 7th, 11th, 12th and 13th Cavalry, all doing equally their share of the work all proud of being American Soldiers and all entitled to an equal amount of honor and glory.

It would be a lesson worth while to the Negroes of the Country at large, could they see the magnificent and colorful brothers of the 10th Cavalry and 24th Infantry.

Most all of our line of March has been through mountain ranges and valleys at an altitude of six to eight thousand feet, so far but little rain. At mid-day the sun is blistering hot, while at night water freezes in our campfires, the nights are generally calm and clear, during the day very light winds often prevail with these winds and dust storms which are far from comfortable.

I have had no words at my command by which I could begin to describe to you the horrors and conditions of this Country, the miseries, the villages and huts have been laid waste, the people subjected to merciless robbery, abuse and tranny of unspeakable kind. All they are capable of aggregation of half miserable suffering.

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A Missouri Obituary

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The University of Chicago Fifteenth Annual Inter-schools Meet will be held June 10 to 15 at the University of Chicago.

The meet is held under the personal supervision of Mr. A. A. Stagg and is the only national meet held for prep athletes. Last year there were representatives from all sections of the country with the students of the Lewis and Clark High School of Spokane, Washington, as the far western delegates and the National Cathedral School of Washington, D. C. holding up the honors for the East. Five cups will be awarded in every event, a banner will go to the team scoring the greatest number of points and there will be two separate races in the mile and in 1-mile, and three in the quarter.

This year the Inter-schools will be held in conjunction with the Quarter-Centennial Anniversary celebration of the University and an extra program of entertainment has been worked out by a committee of alumni and undergraduates. The second inter-collegiate baseball game with the Waseda University line of Tokyo, Japan, is but one of the features planned.

Entry blanks will be mailed to all high schools and academies in the West and Middle West. Last June 42 athletes competed in the track events and tennis tournament. Coach Stagg expects a new record this year.

Because the bank guests in front of her home repaired, Mrs. S. E. Holcomb is running for Mayor of Rapid City, S. D., and says if elected the street cars will be.

When asked if a man of service could run a fire department properly Chief Deane, of Plimfield, N. J., replied, "Look at me; I do, and refuse to resign after fifty years a fireman."

The Unwashed Fly. Who would suppose that, in a state the unwashed fly, by a mouth of extra life, due to late warmth and rains, could inflict upon one industry a loss of \$2,000,000?

Yes, according to official statistics, this has happened in Kansas. The state of Kansas also raises 1,000,000 head of beef cattle every year. In the past month an average loss in weight per steer of twenty-five pounds due to extra fly swarms and unwashed strain, taken up the above total.

The loss does not stop there. Hides will not work and horses down in the fields and roll around.

So if we have to pay more for beefsteak or corn because the swarms winter, some of the extra cost will be due to the fly. It is a thing that is not to be despised, the swarms, the swarms, the swarms.

Every little fly helps the swarms to multiply the swarms of flies.

Present Price of Our Dollar. Not since the civil war has the purchasing power of the American dollar been so great. Not in the history of the world before was the American dollar the medium of the world's exchange as it is today. The European war has caused prices to double on many American products and many of them have advanced fifty per cent or more the result is that the people of one nation have come to the place where they are paying fifty cents for the things that they used to pay twenty cents for.

